H. B. 407 CHAPTER 466

AN ACT TO PROTECT BABY ANIMALS SOLD AS PETS BY REQUIRING THAT THEY BE AT LEAST EIGHT WEEKS OF AGE BEFORE SALE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 47 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new section to read as follows:

"§ 14-363.1. Living baby chicks or other fowl, or rabbits under eight weeks of age; disposing of as pets or novelties forbidden.-If any person, firm or corporation shall sell, or offer for sale, barter or give away as premiums living baby chicks, ducklings, or other fowl or rabbits under eight weeks of age as pets or novelties, such person, firm or corporation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or both. Provided, that nothing contained in this section shall be construed to prohibit the sale of nondomesticated species of chicks, ducklings, or other fowl, or of other fowl from proper brooder facilities by hatcheries or stores engaged in the business of selling them for purposes other than for pets or novelties."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1973.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 11th day of May, 1973.

S. B. 219 CHAPTER 467

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE STATE TO APPEAL ADVERSE JUDGMENTS BASED UPON DOUBLE JEOPARDY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 15-179 is hereby amended by adding a new subdivision (7) at the end thereof to read as follows:

"(7) Upon a motion to bar prosecution based on the prohibition against double jeopardy."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective upon its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 14th day of May. 1973.

S. B. 254 CHAPTER 468

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A TWO THOUSAND DOLLAR (\$2,000) INCOME TAX EXEMPTION FOR A PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A SEVERELY RETARDED PERSON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Division II of Article 4 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes is hereby amended by adding a new subdivision G.S. 105-149(a)10 to read as follows:

"§ 105-149(a)10. In the case of each severely retarded person over half of whose support for the taxable year has been provided by a parent or guardian, there shall be allowed an exemption of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) in addition to all other exemptions allowed by this subsection. For the purposes of